

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

~~1. A method of configuring paper stock in a printing device, the method comprising:~~

- ~~a) loading paper into a tray of the printing device;~~
- ~~b) providing information about the paper and the tray to the printing device; and~~
- ~~5 c) automatically updating a user interface to include the information about the paper and the tray.~~

~~2. The method of claim 1 wherein the printing device is a printer.~~

~~3. The method of claim 1 wherein the printing device is a copier.~~

~~4. The method of claim 1 wherein the printing device is a multi-function peripheral.~~

~~10 5. The method of claim 1 wherein providing information further comprises a control input signal from a control interface on a control panel of the printing device.~~

~~6. The method of claim 1 wherein providing information further comprises scanning a piece of the paper stock and associating a resulting scanned image with the paper tray.~~

~~15 7. The method of claim 1 wherein providing information further comprises accesses a control interface on a computer connected to the printing device.~~

~~8. A method of providing a user interface operable to allow communication with a printing device, the method comprising:~~

- ~~a) establishing a window on a display device viewable by a user;~~
- ~~20 b) providing the user with a view of paper in at least one paper tray of the printing device; and~~
- ~~c) allowing the user to select the at least one paper tray to complete a print job.~~

~~9. The method of claim 8 wherein the view further comprises a template.~~

~~10. The method of claim 8 wherein the view further comprises a designated color.~~

~~25 11. The method of claim 8 wherein the view further comprises a thumbnail of a piece of the paper.~~

~~12. A computer readable medium containing software code, said code operable to:~~

- ~~a) receive information about paper loaded into a printing device and an associated tray;~~
- ~~and~~
- ~~b) update a user interface to include the information.~~

~~30 13. The medium of claim 12 wherein the medium further comprises a downloadable file.~~

~~14. The medium of claim 12 wherein the medium further comprises a printer driver.~~